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The Tigers were eliminated from the NAIA Tournament with a second-round loss. See Page 5.



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News Briefs

CAMPUS

- President Edward Hammond will conduct a meeting for all faculty and staff at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Felten-Start Theater. The meeting will concern Hammond's reorganization process, where he will announce the naming of persons to the positions in the plans released last month.
- The Accounting Club is sponsoring a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program again this year. The VITA program is open to anyone who would like assistance in filing income tax forms. The service is free of charge and will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays in the Memorial Union Frontier Room.
- There will be a breakfast at 7 a.m. Thursday at the Smoky Hill Country Club for anyone interested in being a team captain for their organization or business in the March of Dimes Walk America. Walk America will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 1, beginning at Gross Memorial Coliseum. For more information, contact Judy Heil, 625-7273, or Belita Gregory, 625-7452.
- The International Student Union will sponsor a dance at 9 p.m. Friday at the Back Door. Everyone is welcome.
- Donor sign up for the Alpha Kappa Psi Bloodmobile will be March 28-30 in the lobby of the Memorial Union, March 28 in McIndes Hall and March 29 in West Hall. The Bloodmobile sign up will be from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. April 12, at Fort Hays State.
- Various aspects of disciplining children from toddlers to 12-year-olds will be discussed in a series of Tuesday night workshops. The free sessions, "Basic Behavior Skills," begin at 7 tonight and continue through April 19.
- Each of the five two-hour programs will be in the Kelly Psychological Center, West annex 200. The sessions will be led by Chris Collins-Thoman and Martha Webb, graduate students in psychology. For more information, contact the Kelly Center at 628-4401.
- Elementary education majors should make appointments with their advisers for pre-enrollment March 28 to April 1. Sign-up sheets are posted outside Rarick 244.
- A panel discussion, "Scratches on Our Rose-Colored Glasses: Realities for Women in the Professions" will be at 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, in the Interlibrary Loan Room of Forsyth Library. The discussion is free, and sponsored by the FHSU Faculty Women's Association. For more information, contact Towns at 628-5923.

Rodeo club revamps arena



By ERIC HODSON
Assistant Managing Editor

Members of the Fort Hays State Rodeo Club have something to smile about. With a lot of hard work by members of the club, the rodeo grounds and arena received a face-lift. At 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night, there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and intersquad competition to kick off the spring season. FHSU President Edward Hammond will be in attendance for the ceremony. "Most of the fencing work was done by members of the rodeo club," Head Coach Garry Brower said. Rodeo club president Kevin Rich said that the actual renovation began early last semester. "It's been a long hard process," Rich said. "It really looks a lot better." Rich said the renovation began last semester and is now finally complete. "We started it early in the semester last year. At first we started to put it to wood, but then we went to pipe," Rich

said.

A major improvement to the arena was the addition of 33 new lights.

"The lights came from Lewis field when they replaced them. We always had lights in the arena, but they were deficient. We went from 17 to 40 lights. Now, the whole arena is equally covered," Brower said.

In addition to the improvements, the arena was widened to 130 feet.

Rich said the added width will benefit contestants in the timed events.

"It will help the most in the timed events, especially in the team roping and barrel racing," Rich said.

Rich invited everyone out to the rodeo grounds for Wednesday night's activities.

"We want everyone to come out. We're going to have a jackpot and it should be a lot of fun," Rich said.

This year the club's annual spring rodeo will take place April 29 - May 1.

"Right now it looks like 23 schools will be there and about 350-400 entries," Brower said.



Photos by Brad N. Shrader

Protecting their eyes from the glare, Scott Vitell, (front) Derby senior, and Jay Brack, (back) LaCrosse senior, brace the metal for Richard Pfeiffer, Rt. 1 Hays, as he welds on it. The rodeo club is making the finishing touches on the remodeling of rodeo grounds in preparation for the open house Wednesday. UPPER RIGHT - Stacey Raupe, Douglass junior, washes off the mud and stickers from Havin' Trouble's hooves.

Hammond to present excellence awards

By DAVID BURKE
Managing Editor

The Awards of Excellence ceremonies are coming home Thursday night.

The ceremonies, designed to award scholarships created by President Edward Hammond, will be presented to Hays-area high school seniors in a reception at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Memorial Union Black and Gold Room.

The Hays stop is the fifth of 10 award ceremonies across the state.

Previous ceremonies were in Topeka, Kansas City, Wichita and Salina. Award ceremonies will be in Dodge City, Colby, Norton, Mankato and Garden City -- where the final ceremony is April 18.

The ceremonies also include meetings of the Tiger Club.

Attendance has been very good, Jan Johansen, acting Alumni Association director, said.

"They've all been well-attended," Johansen said. "The response from the parents and the students has been very positive."

About 225 reservations have been made for the Hays ceremony.

The Topeka ceremony was attended by 85 persons. The attendance was 125 in Kansas City and 150 in Wichita and Salina, Johansen said.

Those figures are encouraging to Steve Sims, director of admissions counseling.

"They have, quite honestly, exceeded our expectations," Sims said. "We had fine turnouts in Topeka and Kansas City, which was really questionable because we hadn't done anything in Topeka or Kansas City of this nature."

"So it was kind of a maiden voyage, and things were done very well. We were pleased with the number of people." About 15 representatives from

FHSU attend each ceremony, representing university officials and faculty members from departments where the award winners' interests lie.

The ceremonies include a speech by Hammond and presentation of award certificates. A video presentation, produced by FHSU Radio-TV-Film, follows the presentation. Door prizes are awarded, and the evening concludes with a dessert buffet and visiting among prospective students, faculty and alumni.

The ceremony and presentation were enough to make a high school senior in Wichita, who wasn't even considering coming to FHSU, officially enroll yesterday, Sims said.

"Not only was she unsure of coming here, she was not planning to even attend a Kansas college or university," Sims said. "We happened to have the program in Wichita, and we sent her an invitation."

"Basically, the way her father explained it to me, he said 'What the heck, they're here in Wichita, let's just go down and see what they have to say,'" Sims said. "That was their first real look at Fort Hays State University."

"They came up to visit with faculty members and have some tours," Sims said, "and she is coming to Fort Hays this fall."

Signees like the Wichita students are an extra for the university, Sims said.

"Of course, those are bonus kind of things," Sims said. "These Award of Excellence programs are to recognize the students who have received these academic awards of excellence, and more in honor of them, simply to acknowledge their achievement."

Attendance for the high school seniors is not only limited to those who have won awards.

"We've had several that have attended without receiving an

award," Johansen said.

"We do invite all other students whom we've had contact with," Sims said. "We get a lot of students who aren't necessarily receiving awards, come to simply talk with faculty and administrators that night."

Sims said he was especially pleased with the receptions in eastern Kansas and expects bigger response in the future.

"I've been just very pleased with the results, and my expectations are that in years to come, it's simply going to snowball and they will become large receptions," Sims said. "I believe that, particularly in the eastern part of the state, where we don't quite have the name recognition we do out here, I tend to believe that in three or four years, we will be very well known east of Manhattan, east of Salina or east of Abilene through efforts like this."

Editorial

Farm crisis: R.I.P.

An obituary for the midwest farm crisis was written by the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Mo., last week.

Agriculture goes into the second quarter of 1988 with a "brighter outlook," according to the Fed's quarterly report.

The report cited a turnaround in farmland values in Kansas of 1.3 percent for the last three months of 1987.

Although this isn't a major reversal of the crisis that hit the midwest with a devastating blow, it's a start. DJB

Letters

God handles Swaggart situation in own way

To the Editor,

I would like to respond to the letter written to you recently regarding Jimmy Swaggart by the Boones.

There is no question to whether Swaggart's or Bakker's incidents were sins. Sin is sin. But the consequences of sin are more severe for some types of sin than for others. And so, we have two men (disciples of Christ) who fell short of God's command. This is not a hopeless situation, for God will use evil for good, as His word says.

Boones, you began your letter with "let's try to remember what the great prophet" said when Jim Bakker had his little run in.... It is true that the exact sin Swaggart "piously" decreed about Bakker is the same exact sin that Swaggart committed. Swaggart's unforgiveness towards his brother in Christ is probably why he was given into the same temptation. For the bible states in Matthew 5:22 and in other scriptures, "...everyone who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgement, whoever insults his brother shall be liable to judgement, whoever insults his brother shall be liable to the council...." You also said "that Mr. Swaggart has handed down a precedent of punishment for clergymen who are guilty of sexual infidelity." This is not true because Swaggart is not God. Swaggart is only telling us what God's word says. It is not his book or words.

I agree with you 100 percent that the 11th commandment (John 13:34... love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.) does apply to Swaggart as well. This is why Mr. Hilm and other Christians have forgiven their brothers.

No, the "entire" situation has not been mishandled! God is in control though at times He may not appear to be. Even though this situation at the beginning was not handled exactly the way you stated it should have been handled according to Galatians 6:1-3, the word of God does not end there. It continues with

and forgiveness was done by both men to their God, and God has performed as His word says He will, which is to forgive, forget, tossed into the sea of forgetfulness.

I watch Mr. Swaggart regularly, and I have never heard him proclaim that he is perfect. Though he preaches God's word and does not live it perfectly he is still a man of God because of God's grace and mercy. To walk perfectly according to God's word is the desire of every follower of God. Swaggart is not perfect, but his God is. It is only the confession and belief in his heart that Jesus is the son of God that he and other true Christians receive purity and holiness.

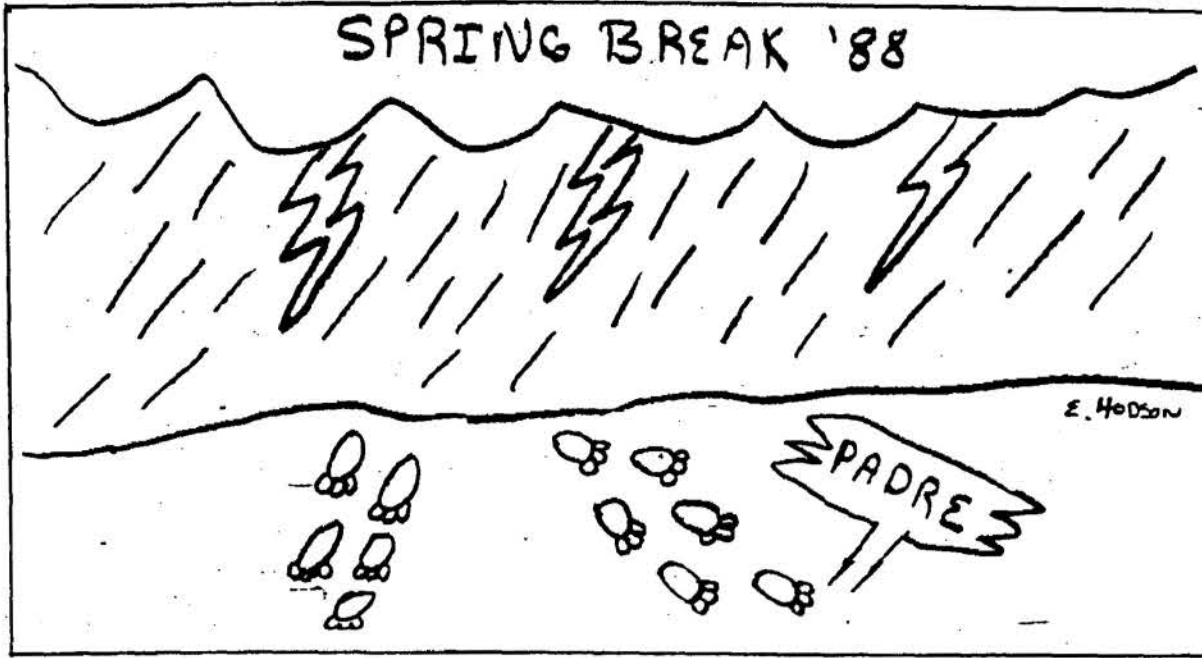
Making slams at Swaggart and other men of God brings on severe punishment from God. So, as the Lord directs me, I warn those who do. God promises protection to His children.

It is none of our business what God's punishment is for Swaggart or Bakker. That matter is between them and God. Our only concern is to make sure we forgive and love them and others as God has commanded. This same forgiveness and love that is shown towards these men by God's people is free to every person who is willing to receive Jesus as Lord and Savior. There is no partiality with God.

Pat Robertson has other reasons unknown to us why he does not claim himself as a "televangelist," besides the assumption that he does not want to be associated with Swaggart and Bakker. They are all disciples of Christ first and foremost. Why should Robertson's identity be only as a "televangelist?" He is more than just that.

All have sinned and fallen short of the Glory of God. If any man is without sin, let him cast the first stone. There is no need to keep printing stories about the fall of these men. Today is a new day, old things have passed away.

Kathy Thompson
Hays senior



ERIC HODSON

Reagan ready to show force in hostile area

During the past week, the United States government has sent 3,200 military personnel to Honduras.

It is also expected that U.S. helicopters will be carrying Honduran troops into so-called non-combat areas near fighting. This scenario is real. The military personnel are supposedly there for training purposes.

The Central American region is a very tense one right now. Honduran troops near the Nicaraguan border are building up into large numbers.

Honduran aircraft have already reportedly been on bombing missions in Nicaragua. So, why is Ronald Reagan sending U.S. troops into a hostile region for "training purposes?"

Is it necessary for our troops to train in a region where they could be the victim of hostile bombings, or shot down while airlifting Honduran troops?

Reagan seems to be looking for a fight.

Nicaraguan president, Daniel Ortega, was quoted as saying to his people to be alert and combat ready to repel any American aggression.

The situation is like this. The Reagan administration is just waiting for something to happen.

The first instance of an accident to any of our troops will more than likely bring about any number of reactions from the U.S. government.

First, if any of our troops just happen to be killed while flying Honduran troops, U.S. reaction is likely to be strong.

Reagan will more than likely demand retaliation. Retaliation could lead to an all-out confrontation and possibly war.

It seems that our troops are sitting ducks, or live bait that are being used to invoke some kind of action from Nicaragua.

If it is only training they want, why not send them to a less hostile place?

Does Reagan need to be reminded of Lebanon, Vietnam or Korea?

This whole process seems to be another play of the Reagan administration to get Congress to send more money to the Contras.

Do Americans really want their tax dollars to be spent in this fashion? It would seem highly unlikely.

Reagan should look at the homeless and the needy in the U.S. and try to help them rather than spend millions of dollars to help overthrow a foreign government.

He should look at the slumping agriculture industry in the U.S. and help the American farmer.

He should look at improving the quality of education across the country.

He should consider the trillion dollar federal deficit and remember the promise he made eight years ago to the American people about a balanced budget.

One might say he is running out of time if he plans on keeping that promise.

We have enough problems in the U.S. that should be dealt with before we go barging into Central America looking for a fight.

With the upcoming presidential elections in mind, people should bring out issues like these and see where the candidates stand.



KEVIN KRIER

Hot movies going cold in local movie theaters

If the Association of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences based its selections for best picture and best actor on what the Hays theaters showed, many of the so-called hot pictures may never get a nomination.

After waiting for weeks to see "Broadcast News" I came back from spring break only to hear the news that the show has already come and gone.

One of the hottest movies of the season and a sure-bet to win at least one or two Academy Awards lasted all of one week in our great community.

The manager of the Fox Theater said in a phone interview that they base how long a movie stays in town on the gross it brings in during its first weekend.

After the weekend receipts are counted, the theater confers with their home office to determine how long the movie stays in town.

Unfortunately, the first weekend "Broadcast News" was in Hays coincided with the first weekend of spring break for the college students.

That means, obviously, that the gate for the movies will be down drastically. Which, in turn, means that some movies will

naturally bite the dust.

The Fox manager said it was the basic fact that "Broadcast News" didn't do the business they thought it would do and was not worth keeping in town longer than a week.

A friend of mine that was fortunate enough to go to the movie rated it an excellent show. But, he agreed there was not much of a crowd. When he went to the show, he said at most there were not more than two dozen people in the audience.

On the flip side of this controversy is the fact that some movies do much better than expected. The movie currently shown now at the Fox Theater is "Good Morning Vietnam" and that is doing much better than expected.

In fact, it is currently in its seventh big week and still doing very well.

Other Academy Award winners have had a track record of failure at the Hays box offices, including "Chariots of Fire."

The manager at the Fox said that movie did absolutely nothing at the box office but attracted great attention nationally.

He pointed to movies such as "Rambo" and "Crocodile Dundee"

as big money-makers in the Hays community. But, as he pointed out, those movies really attract no attention from the Academy Awards committee that nominates pictures for the awards ceremony.

Although college students make up some of the potential audience at a theater, the Fox manager said they weren't the primary source of customers.

Besides college students, he pointed to high-school kids, senior citizens, adults and small children as big parts of the paying audience.

But, all in all, a better planning by not only the local theaters but also its home office may have helped keep "Broadcast News" in business.

But all may not be lost.

Now, I can look forward to the time it appears on video cassette (in maybe four to six months) and watch it on the VCR.

That just might be the cheapest way to watch the movie. After all, what's better than watching a movie in the privacy of your own home on your own VCR?



DOUG CARDER

Celtics' Bird doesn't fly as NBA's greatest player

Larry Bird is not the best basketball player in history.

In an article in the March 21 Sports Illustrated, Red Auerbach said that Bird was the best player in history.

I'm sorry Red, I can't buy that. To single out one player as the best ever seems a little pretentious.

I know I'm sticking my neck out on a chopping block by contradicting SI, which I'm sure has a little more prestige than a less qualified writer from the University Leader.

But, here goes: There are too many quality players, now and in the past, that Bird is not head and shoulders above.

To me, that is what would be necessary to constitute such a claim.

Yes, Bird has great stats. So have others in the past -- Wilt Chamberlain, Bill Russell, Jerry West, Oscar Robertson, Bob Cousy, John Havlicek, to name the few.

Don't get me wrong. Bird could definitely play with any of the above mentioned.

I just can't see Bird mopping up on any of these players in a one-on-one comparison.

It's tough to compare players from different eras. That's why I don't have a clear-cut choice.

Mr. Auerbach is entitled to his opinion, and I'm not trying to belittle his selection.

Bird is an excellent player. Maybe it was the Bird statue, which Auerbach unveiled in the Boston Garden, that finally got to me.

It seems like all I hear is Larry Bird this and Larry Bird that.

I'm sick of all the Bird hype, and the statue (pictured in the aforementioned SI) was the last straw.

Please Celtic fans, don't make him a god, yet. At least not until he retires.

I don't think he's the best player in the league right now, let alone of all time.

Don't worry Bird fans, I'm sure I'm in the minority on this issue.

Future Celtics will probably be playing in the Bird Memorial Garden in 2050.

Maybe, deservedly so. Personally, I'd rather have Bill Russell as the cornerstone of my team.

If you'll check the championship banners hanging in Boston Garden from Russell's era, you'll find that Boston won 11 championships in the 13 years he was a Celtic.

Boston has won three championships in the 10 years Bird has been a Celtic.

On the otherhand, Boston has never had a losing month since

Bird has been a Celtic.

Boston had several losing months while Russell was a Celtic.

So, which is better. The Celtics led by Russell that won championships, or a Celtic team led by Bird that wins consistently.

I'll let you decide. I don't care if he is one of the top players of all time, there are other players that deserve praise.

To the sports writers and broadcasters of America, I would like to remind you that there are dozens of other quality players in the league that deserve more ink than they get.

Let's write about them for a change and stop this Bird blitz.

Maybe the sun rises and sets in Boston with Bird, but there are other teams in the league.

Let's write about them. I realize the Celtics have a national following that extends far beyond Massachusetts, but there is a small coalition of Laker fans out there, like myself, that are rather partial to Magic Johnson and company.

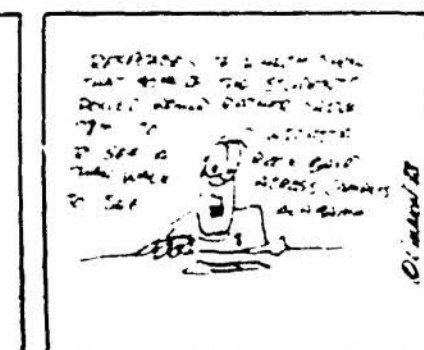
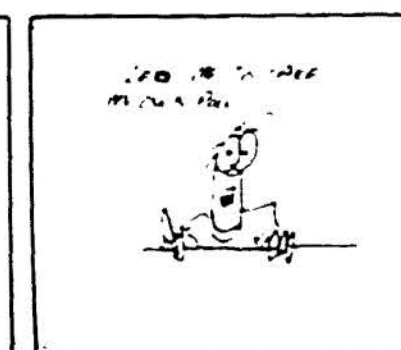
I won't try and kid you, everyone has a personal choice as their favorite player. However, to call them the best player of all time is carrying it a bit too far.

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Campus Calendar

TODAY

- Kansas City, Kan., public schools placement interviews at 8 a.m. in Picken 100.
- U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty placement interviews at 8 a.m. in Picken 100.
- Disabled Students Association meeting at 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union.
- Wildlife Parks meeting and annual fishing report at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Black and Gold Room.

WEDNESDAY

- Block and Bridle Club meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Pioneer Lounge.
- Student Alumni Association meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Alumni Office.
- Blinder-Robinson Investment Bankers placement interviews at 8 a.m. in Picken 100.
- U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty placement interviews at 8 a.m. in Picken 100.
- Prayer services at noon at the Ecumenical Campus Center, Sixth and Elm streets.
- Kansas Special Olympics begins at 6 p.m. in Gross Memorial Coliseum and Cunningham Hall.

THURSDAY

- Student Government Association meeting at 7 p.m. at the Memorial Union Pioneer Lounge.
- Divorce Support Group at 7:30 p.m. at the lounge of the Ecumenical Campus Center, Sixth and Elm streets.
- Living Ethical Wills, with Ron Parks, director of the Old Fort Hays Historical Site. Program will begin at 12:05 p.m. at the Memorial Union State Room.

FRIDAY

- K-N Energy placement interviews at 8 a.m. in Picken 100.
- Tiger Club meeting and Awards of Excellence at 6:30 p.m. in Dodge City.
- International Student Union dance at 9 p.m. in the Back Door.

SATURDAY

- Kansas State High School Activities Association solo and small ensemble festival begins at 7:30 a.m. in Malloy Hall.
- Real Estate Licensing Exam at 7:45 a.m. in Rarick 206.
- Kansas Classic Speech and Drama Tournament at 8 a.m. in Rarick Hall.
- New Student Early Enrollment Day begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Memorial Union.
- English and Math Scholarship Day at 8:30 a.m. in Rarick 301, 306 and 307.
- Classic Film Series, "Hamlet," at 8 p.m. in Felten-Start Theater.
- McMinder Hall Formal at 8 p.m. at the Fanchon Club, E. Highway 40.

SUNDAY

- Movie, "The Gospel According to St. Matthew," at 7:30 p.m. in the basement of the Ecumenical Center, Sixth and Elm streets.

INFORMATION

- The Campus Calendar is open to all university organizations to announce upcoming events and meetings.

Special Olympians to perform

Basketball tourney to open in Coliseum

By KEVIN KRIER
Editor in chief

Bill Moyer has seen the Special Olympics Basketball tournament grow in stature during each of the past 12 years. But when the tournament, sponsored by the state's Knights of Columbus councils, comes to Hays Thursday, it will be the biggest contingent of athletes this tournament has ever seen.

Scheduled to compete during the three-day event are 92 basketball teams, 102 cheerleaders composed of 15 different squads, 62 developmental skills people and 165 team skills people.

"Since the first year, we have seen about a 10 percent growth per year in the number of teams that compete," Moyer, a co-chairman for the Special Olympics tournament, said. "More administration and training people are involved and more people volunteer their time to help get this thing organized."

Moyer said that during the first year of the tournament, no more than 30 teams were involved, and the only people in attendance were the athletes, coaches and parents.

But, Moyer is hoping to see many more people in attendance Thursday night.

"I've made a personal vow to myself that before too many more years pass, there would be some 5,000-6,000 people at the opening ceremonies and that GMC (Gross Memorial Coliseum) would be full," Moyer said.

Opening ceremonies are expected to begin at approximately 7 p.m. with a line-up for the Parade of Champions.

The Parade of Champions will march into the Coliseum at 7:30 p.m.

Other highlights of the opening ceremonies include the

lighting of the torch, and presentation of the Bob Magerl Memorial Award to the outstanding volunteer of the tournament.

A special highlight of the opening ceremonies will be at 8:15 p.m. when the Bud Light Daredevils perform their slam dunk act.

The tournament action continues Friday and Saturday with competition in basketball, cheerleading skills, team skills and developmental skills.

Athletes will also be honored with a banquet Friday night in the Memorial Union from 5:30-7 p.m. with a sockhop dance to follow in the Coliseum from 7-9:30 p.m.

Moyer encouraged the local community to attend the dance Friday night and watch some of the basketball action during the three-day affair.

"We not only want the people to attend the opening ceremonies, but I'd also like to encourage them to get to know the people participating, talk to some of the teams and watch them play and perform during these three days," Moyer said. "It's a great feeling to watch the camaraderie involved with these athletes. There are 92 teams involved and there are no losers. Everyone involved in this is a winner."

Teams and participants are spread throughout the state with eastern Kansas communities such as Independence, Paola and Parsons sending teams to Hays.

"Some of these teams have practiced for the past 24 months to get a cheer right or get a basketball play down perfect," Moyer said. "They are just like the regular olympians. They put in hours, hours, hours of practice just for this big weekend. It's a chance for the people here to see what they go through and how much they really care about performing. It's really worth it to come out and watch these people enjoy themselves."

Bud Light Daredevils scheduled for tournament performance

By KEVIN KRIER
Editor in chief

People attending the opening ceremonies of the Kansas Special Olympics basketball tournament are in for a special treat.

The Bud Light Daredevils, the most unique slam dunk act in the country, will be performing their high-flying act at approximately 8:15 p.m. Thursday night.

Bill Moyer, co-chairman of the Special Olympics, said they had them scheduled last year, but a conflict caused them to cancel out.

"We had them last year but because the NCAA playoffs were scheduled during the same time frame, they had to cancel out," Moyer said. "But, we were able to get them here this year, and it should be quite a thrill for everyone to see them."

Their popularity has taken them to more than 150 colleges and universities, including Kansas State University. They have also performed in every National Basketball Association arena throughout the country.

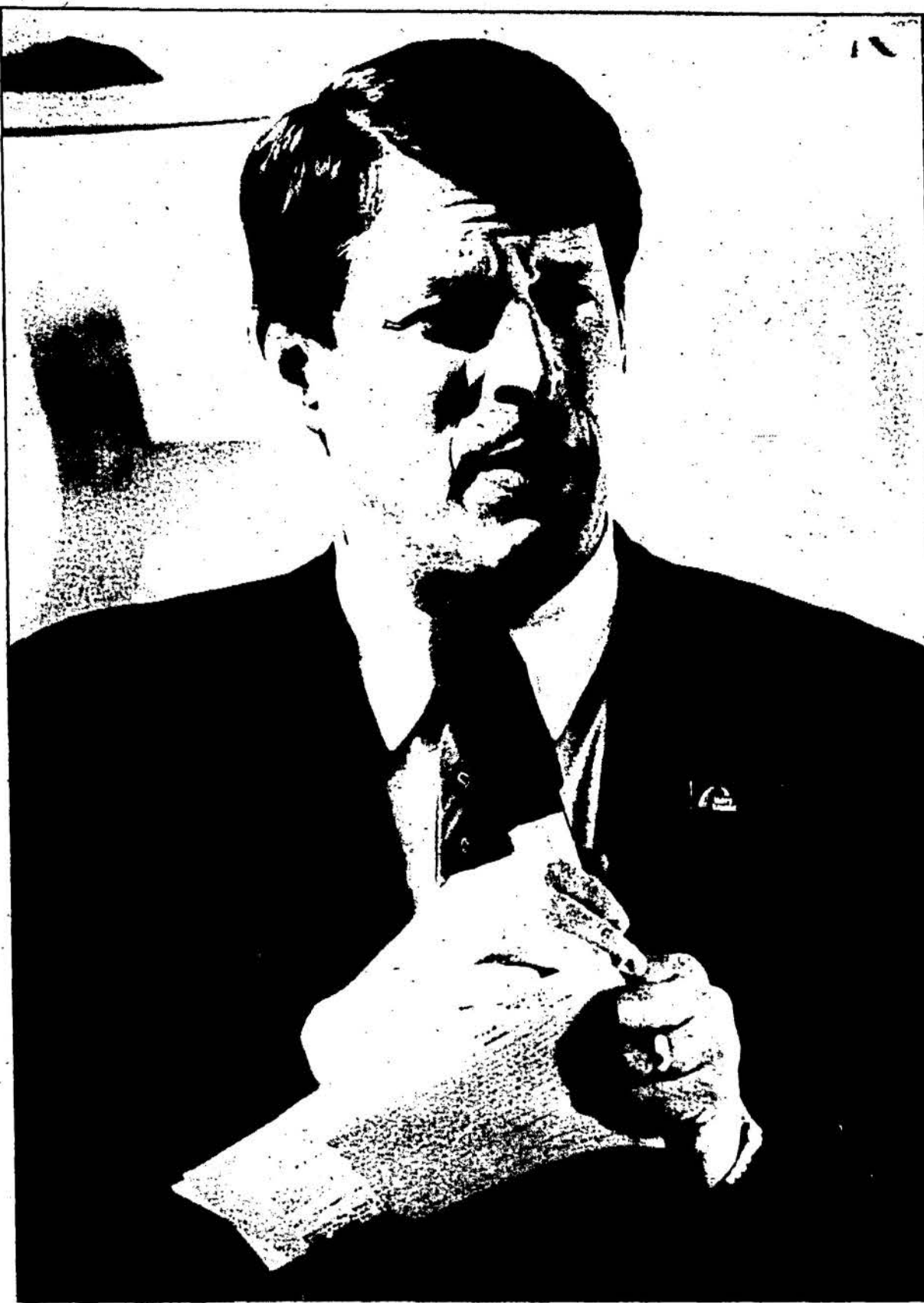
The four-man team includes brothers Ty and Guy Cobb, Tim Lancaster and Keith Eldred. The act will consist of a

eight-minute slam dunk and acrobatic halftime show highlighted by the slip dunk and kongo dunk.

The slip dunk features one team member springing off a mini-trampoline with a basketball in his hands, executing a forward somersault high into the air and slamming the ball through the hoop on his way down.

The kongo dunk utilizes three members performing consecutive flips in front of the rim, passing the ball from one to the other off the backboard culminating with a massive slam dunk by the fourth member.

The Daredevils were created in 1980 when the four-member squad combined their precision gymnastic and ballhandling



Sen. Albert Gore Jr., the first Democratic presidential candidate to bring his campaign to Hays since John F. Kennedy in 1960, addresses a crowd of about 100 people at the Farmers Cooperative Association, 210 E. 9th, last Thursday afternoon. After a tour of the feed center, Gore was introduced to the crowd by Sen. Joe Norvell, D-Hays.

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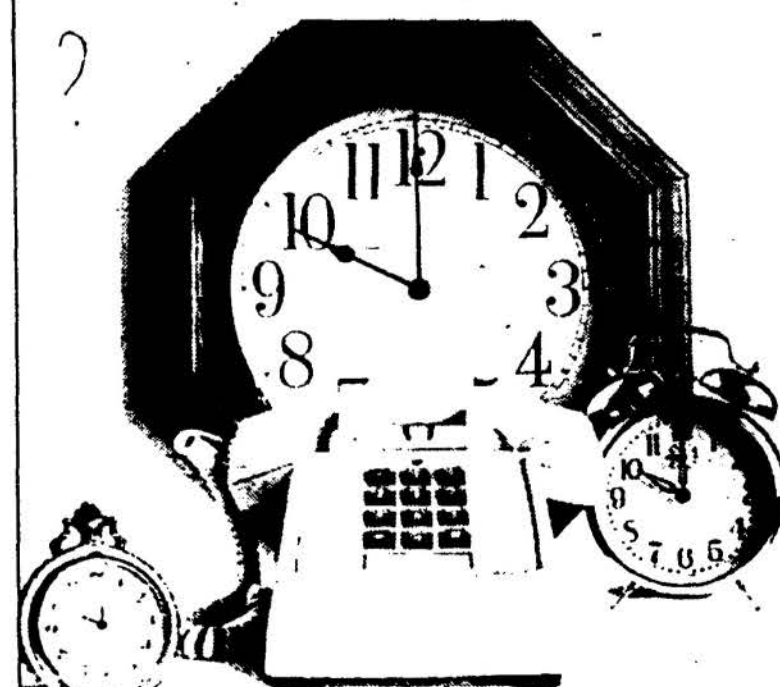
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The cast of "Story Theater," the final Fort Hays State theater production of the semester, gathered for its first rehearsal last night. The play, based on the fairy tales and fables of Aesop and the Brothers Grimm, will be performed April 28 through May 1.

'Story Theater' cast selected, will take stage next month

A 15-member cast began rehearsals last night for "Story Theater," the next Fort Hays State theater production.

Charles Evans, the director of "Story Theater," said that the cast will be an ensemble, playing various parts.

"They play multiple roles in multiple scenes," Evans said. "It's like a repertory company in the sense that each person plays a variety of roles."

The cast members will be acting out numerous stories from Aesop and the Brothers Grimm.

"It's folk tales and fairy tales, but they're given a theatrical twist," Evans said. "But it isn't going to be as simple or as naive as it appears from the description."

Cast members are Squire Boone, Sharon Springs senior; Esther Corzatt, New Almelo

graduate student; Karen Currier, Atwood sophomore; Debbie Driscoll, Beloit senior; Sean Gunther, Andale freshman; Scott Jecha, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.

Mary Leidig, Hays senior; Richard Parrott, Healy freshman; Heather Thomas, Fort Collins, Colo. freshman; Jeanne Weber, Beloit senior; and Rebecca Westblade, Mankato freshman.

Randy Slaughter, Pueblo, Colo. senior, will be the narrator and the balladeer for the show, Evans said.

Two other cast members are Hays residents.

Jonathon Price, an eighth grade student at Kennedy Middle School, and Raymond Brent, an FHSU graduate, are also in the performance.

The performances are April 28-May 1.

"It should be a lot of fun as well as an acting challenge," Evans said.

John to perform this week

Michael John is more than a musician, he is an entertainer. "Michael John is a full entertainer," I.B. Dent, director of student activities said. "He does more than sing and play the guitar or piano, he adds humor and crowd motivation to his performances."

"He has a spontaneous interaction with the audience after a song, which leads right into the next one," Dent said. John is a regular performer at Copper Mountain and

Beaver Creek ski resorts in Colorado.

"He entertains skiers after a day on the slopes," Dent said. John performs for audiences of all ages.

"He can motivate a crowd and get them involved with his show. He gets people to come up on stage and sing with him," Dent said.

Dent said John has quite a repertoire.

"He has quite a selection of songs. He does songs people

know and some original ones too."

John will also take requests during his show.

"He's hard to stump, he knows a wide variety of songs," Dent said.

Sponsored by the Memorial Union Activities Board, John will perform at the Back Door at 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday.

The cost of general admission tickets are \$2.50, and there is no charge for Fort Hays State students.

Movie reviews

'Broadcast News' excellent film; 'Switching Channels' just isn't

Reviewed by David Burke

For the casual moviegoer, there may not be a difference. But there is -- a big difference.

"Switching Channels" is not the same as "Broadcast News."

Sure, there are similarities: two men and one woman in a television news setting. But from there, the similarities end.

"Broadcast News" is touching, humorous and reality-based.

"Switching Channels" is a microwave-warmed rehash of "The Front Page," with satellites and 1980s references thrown in for good measure.

"Broadcast News" deserves the Oscar nominations it received, and I would hedge a bet that Albert Brooks will pick up a statuette for his performance as the dedicated newsman. But more on him later.

"Broadcast News" brings back James L. Brooks for his first directing job since "Terms of Endearment." It is a story not only of television, but of human relationships. It will endear (no pun intended) not only for those with an interest in the media, but also for those who appreciate real characters in a real storyline.

William Hurt plays a shallow news anchor -- what Linda Ellerbee would call a Twinkle -- who is suddenly promoted to the news anchor position of a network.

Holly Hunter is a news producer who is dedicated to her job, with a southern-drawl vigor that made a convincing role.

Both Hurt and Hunter have good performances, and both deserve the Oscar nominations. But the competition is too stiff. Hurt already won an Oscar two

years ago, and Hunter still hasn't treaded into the Hollywood circles.

Albert Brooks will win the Oscar next month. I'm not only saying that because I think he is one of the funniest people on the planet today, but because his character is so highly identifiable.

We all know (or perhaps even are) his character. There's always that someone who does a good job, but never receives the recognition. In talking to those who had seen the movie, most identify with Albert Brooks' character.

Not only were the three main characters fully developed, but so were about five supporting characters. When you have a movie that cares enough to really flesh out the lesser character, you have the mark of a winner. And "Broadcast News" was.

And I wanted to like "Switching Channels." I like Burt Reynolds, I like Kathleen Turner and I can tolerate Christopher Reeve. But something here just didn't click.

While "Broadcast News" (sorry, I had to mention it again) relies on characters and plot development to achieve its humor, "Switching Channels" takes to slapstick and four-letter jokes almost exclusively.

Turner is the beloved Chicago anchorwoman at the Satellite News Network (a knock-off of the Cable News Network, except that the office building looks

like the size of a small grocery store.)

Turner is burned out on her job and gets away for a vacation where she meets up with the platinum card-carrying Reeve. The two fall in love, and Turner returns to Chicago to tell Reynolds, her producer and ex-husband, that she's quitting to move to New York with Reeve.

Reynolds does everything he can to get her to stay, and sabotages her affair with Reeve.

Just as Turner is ready to pack her bags for the Big Apple, a big story drops in her lap. She gets the chance to interview a doomed death row prisoner, played by Henry Gibson (remember "Laugh-In"?)

A crooked attorney general bucking for governor (Ned Beatty) wants to broadcast Gibson's execution live. Gibson escapes, and hides in a copy machine.

"Switching Channels" is very weak. Maybe I was spoiled by the reality, wit and humor of "Broadcast News," but the latter movie paled extremely in comparison.

All three of them need a good movie. "Switching Channels" isn't it.

"Broadcast News" Leader Grade: A

"Switching Channels" Leader Grade: D+

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FHSU welcomes a group of Special Olympians

Text by Kevin Krier

Photos by Jean Walker and Sammi Wright

If Bill Moyer has anything to do about it, the Kansas Special Olympics has a permanent resting spot in Hays.

For the 12th straight year, special olympians converged on the campus for the state basketball tournament sponsored by the Kansas State Council Knights of Columbus.

The games officially opened last night in Gross Memorial Coliseum before an estimated crowd of 4,500.

Moyer, a co-chairman for the Special Olympics, said in an interview Monday afternoon that he fully expects the special olympics to stay in the community.

"As long as the campus and town wants this tournament, the

tournament will always be here," Moyer said.

"Other towns have had the olympics, but people would have to do a lot of traveling to get from one side of town to the other. Here on campus, we have five gymnasiums in one building and several others within close proximity."

Chuck Wilhelm, professor of communication, and Sarah Fabrizio, WaKeeney senior, acted as hosts for the opening ceremonies and introduced the participants throughout the night.

After the team procession and singing of the national anthem by the High Plains Barbershop Quartet, James Murphy, vice-president for academic affairs, followed by issuing a welcome to all the olympians in attendance this weekend.

"This rates as one of the high points of the year for the students, faculty and friends of Fort Hays State University," Murphy said. "We had to move the spectators upstairs because of the growth and popularity of this event. I would expect in another year or two that some of the participants will also have to move upstairs."

"I just want the athletes to enjoy themselves and provide us with some good competition," Murphy said.

After Murphy presented his speech, Don Fuertges, chairman of the Health, Physical Education, Recreation Department then issued the oath of competition for the athletes.

One highlight of the evening was the introduction of the winner of the Bob Magerl award for outstanding volunteer work for the Olympics.

"Bob was a student at Fort Hays State in the late '70s who really became interested in working with the special olympians," Moyer said. "He changed his life around when he decided to take up recreation therapy, because he wanted to work more closely with these special people."

"But, on his way to Kansas City in the summer of '78, he was killed in a car wreck. His parents then wanted to do something special to honor his memory, and they set up this award."

Chuck Rinehart was recognized with the award for his outstanding volunteer work during the past several years.

Cecelia Budke, a young special olympian from Hays, then raced into the coliseum and lit the torch to help signify the opening of the games.

The evening was then concluded with an eight-minute show by the Bud Light Daredevils.

The Special Olympics will continue through tomorrow afternoon with several competitive events planned throughout the three-day affair.

"Some of these athletes have practiced for several months in preparation for this event," Moyer said. "They put in a lot of hours, and it'd be great for the people to come out and see the camaraderie of the special olympians."



ABOVE: The torch was lit during opening ceremonies last night. LEFT: Beth Pillion, leads a cheer for the COF Training Services during play in yesterday's Special Olympics. RIGHT: Special Olympian James Leeper of the Ketch Chargers partially blocks a shot that was attempted by COF Training Services' Richard Klaus. COF went on to take the victory Thursday afternoon at Gross Memorial Coliseum during the Kansas Special Olympics.



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Sports Briefs

March 22, 1988

Local

The Fort Hays State track team will compete against Emporia State Thursday in Russell.

"Because it's our first outing, we aren't sure what to expect from the meet," Head Coach Jim Krob said.

"However, we need the experience of competition."

Field events are to begin at 3 p.m., while running events will start at 4 p.m.

Brad Fredrickson, current head wrestling coach at Plainville High School, was named Class 3-2-1A coach of the year by the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association.

Fredrickson, a former Northwest Kansas wrestler at Decatur Community High School in Oberlin, led the Cardinals to a state championship this season in his first year as head coach.

The Fort Hays State baseball team will take on Marymount tomorrow in Hays for double-header action.

The first game is set for 1 p.m. in Larks Park, with the second game to follow immediately afterwards.

State

Both Kansas State and the University of Kansas continue post-season play Friday in the NCAA tournament.

The Wildcats will take on Purdue in the Midwest Regional semi-finals, while KU faces Vanderbilt.

KSU defeated LaSalle 66-53 in the first round of NCAA play, then overtook DePaul 66-58 to advance to the semi-finals. The Jayhawks marked up an 85-72 win over Xavier in the first round, then beat Murray State 61-58 in the second.

KU's Danny Manning and KSU's Mitch Richmond are tied for sixth place as NCAA tournament scoring leaders.

Both players have scored 49 points, averaging 24.5 a game. Stacey King of Oklahoma leads post-season scoring with 60 points.

National

Mike Tyson took little time Sunday night to once again prove he deserves the title of World Heavyweight Champion.

The undefeated, undisputed Tyson won by KO in the second round after a left hook sent Tony Tubbs to the floor with 2:54 remaining.

The fight advances Tyson to a 34-0 record with 30 knockouts.

Big Eight champion Oklahoma Sooners advanced to the final sixteen in the NCAA tournament Saturday with a 107-87 win over Auburn.

The Sooners will meet Louisville in the Southeast Regional semi-finals Thursday in Birmingham, Ala.

North Carolina set a new NCAA tournament record for most points scored in a game Saturday.

The Tar Heels also ended the nation's longest winning streak when they handed Loyola, Calif., a 123-97 loss.

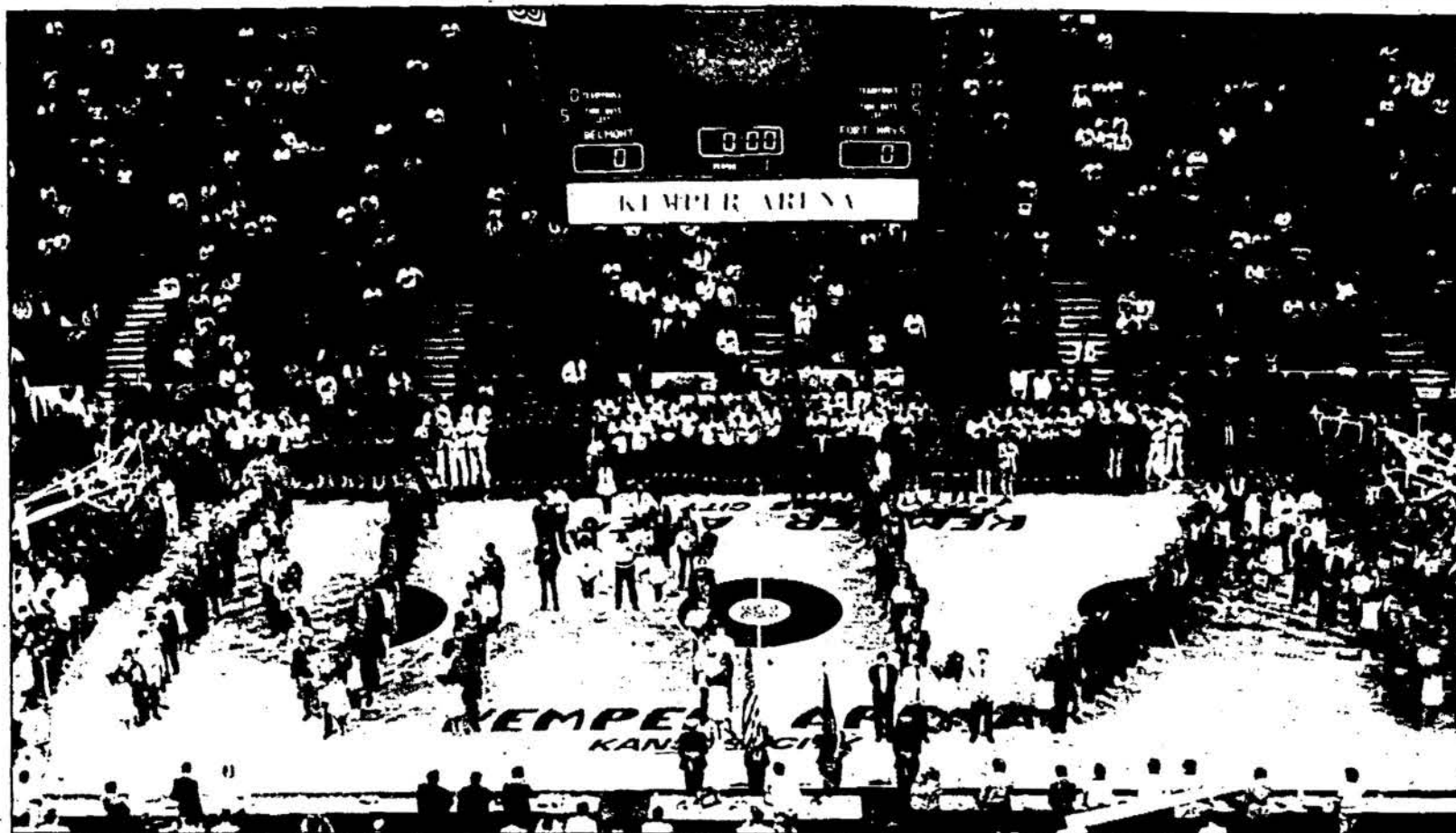
Loyola was the NCAA's highest scoring team in the nation, as the Lions averaged 110.7 during the season.

The Los Angeles Lakers finally came up on the winning end of competition Sunday night, when they defeated the Golden State Warriors 130-127.

The game marked a long-awaited win for the Lakers, who had lost the past four out of five games after losing Magic Johnson to injuries.

In other NBA action, the Boston Celtics were 137-107 victors over the Chicago Bulls in Chicago.

Larry Bird led the Celtics with 33 points on the night, as Michael Jordan scored 26 for the Bulls.



The Parade of Champions took place before the Tigers opening round contest against Belmont Abbey. The letters NAIA are formed on the court, while the 32 teams stand around the court during the national anthem.

GRAND CANYON.

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"In the first half, we had an opportunity to open up a 15-point lead," Morse said. "We gave it back to them."

Grand Canyon fought back, scoring nine of the final 11 points of the first half to tie the game at 48.

At halftime, Thompsons had scored 18 points for the Tigers and Harris had 14.

Grand Canyon, in the first half, hit 63 percent from the field, including four of seven from three-point range.

After hitting 19-30 shots the first 20 minutes, Grand Canyon hit 19-29 in the second half, and ended the game well above their normal 51 percent.

On three-point field goal shooting, Grand Canyon hit 7-12, led by Ledbetter, who was 4-6 from behind the line.

Westphal, a former NBA all-star and an All-American at USC said the offensive shooting was a key.

"I thought we got the shots we wanted," Westphal said. "I thought we have gotten the shots all year long."

"And I will tell you, most coaches might disagree, but I think a good offense will beat a

good defense any day. Because the offense knows what they are doing."

At the end of the contest, the Tigers made a run at the Antelopes, and with three minutes to play, the Tigers had cut the lead to 93-84 following a three-point field goal from Shaun Manning.

The Antelopes hit six consecutive free throws over the next minute and one-half to put the game out of reach for FHSU.

During the game, the Tigers hit on 52 percent of their shots, with Thompsons hitting 14-22 and Harris 11-21, including 6-10 from three-point range.

Despite the height advantage the Tigers had, Grand Canyon out-rebounded them 40-28.

"They just out-hustled and out-rebounded us," Thompsons said. "They got all the loose balls, and there was no excuse for it. It is part of the game, and if you can't handle it, you shouldn't be here."

The loss ended the Tigers' season at 28-5, but despite the good record, Morse said it would be awhile before the team was able to reflect on the good season.

"I felt the season could have lasted longer," Morse said. "Later, we might look back on the season and say we had a good year."

"Right now, it is tough to talk about the good year."

Grand Canyon 101, FHSU 95

Grand Canyon 48 53-101
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Grand Canyon: Mike Ledbetter 6-10 5-6 21, Blair Oliphant 5-7 0-0 10, Rodney Johns 8-10 4-6 21, Akre 1-3 4-5 7, Bob Gallagher 10-15 3-3 23, Enge 3-4 0-1 6, DaLessio 0-0 0-1 0. Totals: 38-59 18-25 101.

FHSU: Mark Harris 11-21 2-2 30, Ronnie Thompsons 14-22 3-6 31, Buller 1-4 4-5 6, Williamson 3-7 2-2 8, Hardnett 2-4 0-0 4, Williams 2-4 3-5 7, Manning 4-7 0-0 9, Miller 0-2 0-0 0. Totals: 37-71 14-20 95.

(Three-point field goals:) GCC 7-12 (Ledbetter 4-6, Johns 1-1, Akre 1-2, Johnson 1-3), FHSU 7-15 (Harris 6-10, Thompsons 0-1, Manning 1-3). (Totals fouls:) GCC 20, FHSU 25. (Fouled out:) Johnson, GCC; Hardnett, FHSU. (Technical fouls:) None.

Leslie advances to nationals

By TED HARBIN
Staff Writer

Over spring break, the Fort Hays State gymnastics squad competed in the NCAA division II regionals at Denton, Texas.

"We went into the tournament ranked fifth in the region and came out fifth," Head Coach Tawana Augustine said.

FHSU broke more school records in Saturday's tournament.

As a team, the Tigers scored a 142.05 using four gymnasts' scores, and a 175.95 using five gymnasts. Both were new school records.

FHSU also broke school records on the balance beam

and the floor exercise with scores of 35.05 and 36.6.

"Kena Lucke tied a school all-around record with a 35.75. She is now tied with Carolanne Leslie," Augustine said.

Jacque Douglas and Leslie tied school records on Saturday as well. Douglas scored a 9.2 on the beam, and Leslie scored a 9.3 on the floor exercise.

Leslie finished third on the floor and qualified for the national tournament in the all-around.

"Yvonne Hinojosa tied for fourth place on the bars with a 9.1, and Jacque tied for sixth on the beam and on the floor," Augustine said.

FHSU is ranked eighth in the nation.

BELMONT ABBEY.

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difference between our two teams. We just made them look bad."

Belmont Abbey made a slight comeback, cutting the FHSU lead to 20-11, but the Tigers quickly retaliated, going on runs of 8-1 and 7-1 to push the lead back to 35-15 with four and one-half minutes to play in the half.

"We played real loose," Morse said. "As a team, I was real pleased. Getting to the national tournament is nice, but I would like to stay here for awhile."

During the second half, Belmont Abbey was not able to get any closer than 19 points, as FHSU extended its lead to 76-46 with six and one-half minutes to play in the game.

And when Shaun Manning put an exclamation point on the game in the final seconds with a slam dunk, FHSU had advanced to the second round of the

tournament.

Morse was pleased with the team's effort all the way down the roster.

"Antoine (Williamson) did a real good job of moving the ball," Morse said. "He executed the offense very well, and kept his composure."

"Mark played real well and real loose. I felt he did a good job of settling the team down right away when he hit some big shots early in the game."

"Brett (Buller) also did a good job, especially rebounding."

For the game, Williamson led the Tigers with eight assists. Harris had 24 points and Buller grabbed 13 rebounds for game-high honors.

The Tigers shot 61 percent from the floor, compared to 39 for the Crusaders.

A big part of the poor shooting for Belmont Abbey was the

defensive pressure of Harris on the Crusaders' leading scorer, LaVar Curry.

"Mark did a real good job cutting down the passing lanes," Morse said.

Curry hit on only 4-15 shots during the game and scored 11 points, 10 under his season average.

Kevin Beamer led the Crusaders with 14 points, as they ended their season at 22-9.

Following Harris, Thompsons scored 21 and Buller 12. Williamson scored eight to go along with his assists, as everyone on the Tiger team got in the scoring column.

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The Antelopes will take on Auburn-Montgomery in the title match at 8 p.m. tonight.

Grand Canyon advanced to the finals with a last second win over Waynesburg, Pa., 108-106.

Rodney Johns, who followed a Mike Ledbetter miss with one second to play, ended the game with 39 points.

Following the victory over FHSU, Grand Canyon defeated College of Idaho in the quarterfinals before winning last night in the semifinals.

They will enter the championship game with a 36-6 record.

Auburn-Montgomery had to hold off College of Charleston, S.C. to advance to finals, defeating the Cougars by four points.

The Senators will take a 32-2 record into the finals.

Auburn-Montgomery had to defeat William Jewell of Missouri in the quarterfinals on Saturday.

Charleston defeated top-seeded St. Thomas Aquinas, N.Y., in the quarterfinals.

Waynesburg, 32-2, will take on Charleston, 29-5 for third place.

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